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In the application of:

Jeffrey J. Seilhamer, *et al.*

Serial No.: Divisional of 09/287,892

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For: RECOMBINANT TECHNIQUES FOR  
PRODUCTION OF BRAIN  
NATRIURETIC PEPTIDE

Examiner: Not Assigned

Group Art Unit: Not Assigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the application herein, please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the title to read --IMMUNOASSAYS FOR HUMAN AND CANINE  
BRAIN NATRIURETIC PEPTIDE--

On page 1 of the specification, please delete the paragraph set forth under "Cross-  
Reference to Related Application" and substitute therefor

--This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/287,892 filed 7 April 1999 which  
is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 08/850,910 filed 5 May 1997 and now U.S. patent 5,948,761  
which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 07/477,226 filed 8 February 1990 and now U.S. patent  
5,674,740 which is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 07/299,880 filed 19 January 1989,